

AKRON PAPER FOR AKRON PEOPLE.

Thoroughly Up-to-Date Equipment Installed In the Democrat Office.

Goss Perfecting Press and Mer- genthaler Linotype Machines.

Size Increased From the Four to Eight Page Style.

Increasing Circulation Made Improvements Necessary.

The Democrat will be a New- sier Paper Than Ever ---Read It.

As an appropriate New Year's greet-
ing the Democrat comes to its readers
today considerably improved in ap-
pearance and news and delivery ser-
vice.

Two of the latest improved Mer-
genthaler Linotype machines have just
been added to the Democrat's compos-
ing room equipment, the type in our
news columns today being the product
of these machines.

To our press room has been added a
Goss Standard Perfecting Press of the
stereotype web pattern.

These machines represent the highest
development mechanically of the art of
newspaper publishing, and places the
Daily Democrat's equipment in the
front rank of that of progressive and
up-to-date newspapers published in cit-
ies of Akron's class.

The Democrat's Goss perfecting

ent management took charge of
the Democrat's business, they
found the paper wholly without in-
fluence as a moral and political fac-
tor in the community. An over-bear-
ing and intriguing management had
made such havoc of the good will of the
paper that few of our citizens, not
excepting the members of the polit-
ical party which it pretended to
serve, felt called upon to conceal a
suspicious and repellent sneer when
its name was mentioned. The equip-
ment of the paper was worn out and
practically valueless.

From the day that local Democratic
leaders and the citizens of Akron
drew a breath of relief when they
knew that Akron's era of disgraceful
personal journalism had passed, the
upbuilding of the Democrat began.
Improvement followed improvement,
until the constantly growing circula-
tion made necessary the crowning
improvement of which announcement
is made today.

The Democrat has given the citi-
zens of Akron a test in the past that
it is the only paper published in
Akron qualified by individual prefer-
ence and independence to advocate
the rights of the city and the people,
whether those rights are menaced by
self-seeking politicians, by insolent

The people lose confidence in it,
knowing that they can no longer trust
what they were led to expect would
be their servant. This is when a
newspaper falls into decay. When
it loses the confidence of the people, it
loses their support. They will have
none of it, and it becomes a paper
sans circulation, sans advertising, sans
everything except the financial back-
ing of the man or men who seek to
use it for the personal advantage.

"This has been the history of news-
papers in Akron, except that as a
rule newspapers here have been born
under the influence. The history of
Akron newspapers has been their
shameless use as personal organs.
Their usefulness as purveyors of
news and as a means of giving ex-
pression to or directing popular opin-
ion has by this means been ruined.
Thus it is that we have witnessed
here in Akron some woeful spec-
tacles of this 'control' of our news-
papers. Akron people long since be-
came disgusted with this kind of
newspapers."

The citizens of Akron shall see that
this definition of a "controlled"
newspaper does not apply to the Dem-
ocrat.

NEW OFFICERS

Chosen by Akron Democrat Co.—
Capital Stock Increased.

At a meeting of the stockholders of
the Akron Democrat company Monday
the following directors were elected:
Messrs. J. V. Welsh, A. T. Paige, Dr.
C. W. Millikin, M. W. Hove, F. W.
Gayer, Ed H. De La Court, and Ed-
ward S. Hartner. The directors elected
the following officers:
President, James V. Welsh.
Vice President, City Commissioner A.
T. Paige.
Secretary, Fred W. Gayer.
Treasurer, M. W. Hove.
The capital stock of the Akron Dem-
ocrat Company has been increased to
\$25,000.

THE WEATHER:
Cold tonight and Wednesday.

THE B. DREHER'S SONS CO.

We Still Have Some

Bargains IN Pianos

That will interest all
prospective buyers.
Call and take a look
at them before it's too
late.

The B. Dreher's Sons Co.

132 South Howard st.
W. K. RANDALL
Manager

DEATHS.

BILLER.—Benjamin F. Biller, aged
54 years, well known in Akron, and in
Warren, Jan. 1, of heart disease. His
body was brought to Akron today and
removed to the home of his sister, Mrs.
G. J. Wetzel, 349 W. North St., from
which place the funeral will be held
Wednesday at 2 o'clock.

MANIFOLD.—Charles Manifold, aged
27 years, 11 months and 7 days, died
Monday at his home, 179 N. Howard
St., from pneumonia.

The East Market Street

Skating Park

Corner of East Market
and Kirkwood

Good Skating
Every afternoon and evening.
Admission 10c and 15c.
Skates rented, including
admission 25c.

BUSHNELL

Favors a Reform

In the Primary Election
Laws

Recommends a Half
Million Appropriation

For the Ohio Centennial at
Toledo.

No Increase of State Tax Levy
Necessary.

Columbus, O., Jan. 2.—(Spl.)—Governor Bushnell's retiring message to the General Assembly was delivered at noon today. The governor first discussed the finances of the state, stating that they are in a most excellent condition. Governor Bushnell states that the state tax should not be increased as the levy is sufficient for all needs. An appropriation of \$500,000 for the Ohio centennial was urged. The governor suggested that close attention be given any proposition which will have the aim of providing a proper primary election law. The consideration of such a question cannot fail to benefit the people, he said.

GUARDS

Will Not Attend the Inauguration at
State's Expense.

Columbus, Jan. 2.—(Spl.)—In neither House nor Senate was the matter of setting aside \$12,000 to take the National Guard to Columbus for inauguration discussed, Monday. The threats of the Democrats and Governor-elect Nash's disapproval killed the scheme. Clerk McElroy has been authorized to appoint an additional clerk, John P. Maynard being named.

Salary Bill Railroaded Through.

Columbus, Jan. 2.—(Spl.)—In the senate today, Senator Wrightman, of Medina, offered a resolution increasing the salary of the Lieutenant Governor from \$800 to \$1000. It was read under a suspension of the rules. The bill passed the senate 25 to 2.

GREAT BRITAIN

Gets a Crumb of Comfort From South
Africa.

London, Jan. 2.—(Spl.)—The war office has received the following dispatch from Cape Town, under today's date: "Col. Telcher reports that he has completely defeated a hostile commando of the Sunnyside Lager today, Jan. 1, taking 40 prisoners, besides the killed and wounded. The British lost two privates killed and one officer wounded."

CONNECTED

Are the Mississippi River and the
Great Lakes.

Chicago, Jan. 2.—(Spl.)—At 9 o'clock this morning the 15 foot wall of earth separating the collateral channel from the Chicago Drainage canal, was completely cut away by a stream dredge, and water was turned into the immense canal. This work connected the Great Lakes and Mississippi River.

BIG FIRE

In a New York Tenement—Baby's
Life Lost.

New York, Jan. 2.—(Spl.)—A little baby's life was lost and eleven persons badly injured in a fire which destroyed a five-story tenement on First avenue, about one o'clock this morning. Three of the injured may die. The fire was one of the fiercest that firemen have had to fight in the tenement district for many a day.

Good News From Pittsburgh.

Pittsburgh, Jan. 2.—(Spl.)—The wages of 25,000 men in Pittsburgh were advanced this morning from five to ten per cent, and in some cases even to a greater per cent. Of these 14,000 are employed by the Carnegie Steel company.

Fitzsimmons Will Fight.

New York, Jan. 2.—(Spl.)—Bob Fitzsimmons was matched today with Jack McCormick for a six-round go. The purse will consist of 75 per cent. of the gross receipts, winner to take all. The date is Jan. 20, at Philadelphia.

Market Strong.

New York, Jan. 2.—(Spl.)—The market opens strong after the holidays and scored general advances. Sugar was a notable feature. Money loaned at 7 per cent. at opening, 10, and later at 8.

Rev. John Herron married Daniel J. Beatty and Miss Louise P. Haynes at 3 o'clock Monday afternoon at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. F. Haynes, 205 E. Cedar St.

P. H. Schneider Co.

LARGEST EXCLUSIVE DRY
GOODS STORE IN AKRON

JANUARY CLEARANCE SALE

Every day this month will
be bargain day at our store.
Reductions throughout the
store.

Indications are that Dry
Goods will never be so
cheap again.
Special great reductions
in CLOAKS, FURS, SUITS,
SKIRTS and WAISTS.

TAKE ELEVATOR

P. H. Schneider Co.

165 and 167
South Howard street.

Try One
of Our . .

Early Rising Clocks

Inexpensive,
Durable and a
Sure Waker. . .

J. P.

Hale

154 South Main st.

XXth Century Hall

Dancing Academy

Next Friday Evening,
January 5

We will open a

New Term for Beginners

All purchasing a ticket will receive
a handsome souvenir.
For further particulars telephone
400 or 485.

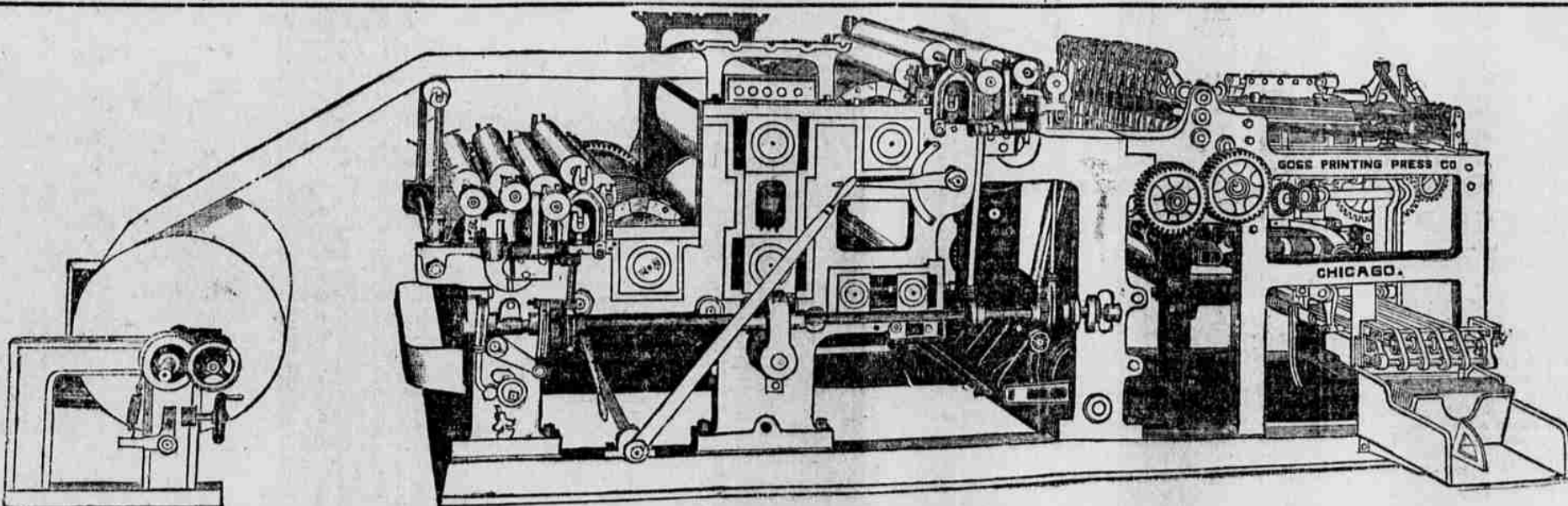
Mr. and Mrs. Wm. F. Stickle.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed D. Reed, of 107
Fay st., has returned from a visit in
Cleveland.

COFFEE HEADACHES

Left When Change was Made to Postum
Food Coffee.

"As long as I drank coffee, once
every month, regularly, I had a bil-
lous sick headache. I had often read
in the papers about Postum Food Co-
ffee, but, like lots of people, I thought
you were praising your own goods to
sell them.
"Finally I asked my husband to
buy me a small package to try. I
boiled it not quite as long as your di-
rections said, and did not like it. The
next morning I made coffee for
breakfast and had a sick headache.
"The third morning I tried Postum
again, boiling it about twenty min-
utes. Then it tasted good, and the
longer I drank it, the better I liked
it. That was about three months
ago. We have had Postum ever since,
and never in all this time have I
had the least kind of a headache or
been sick in any way.
"I told a brother-in-law of my ex-
perience. He suffered with bilious
headaches, and was threatened with
nervous prostration. He stopped co-
ffee, and began using Postum Food
Coffee, which he did not like at the
first trial, but soon got so he liked
it very much indeed, when they
learned to make it right. It has cured
him also.
"The following friends have been
helped by leaving off coffee and us-
ing Postum: D. B. Wheat, his wife
and sister; J. H. Matthews, his wife
and daughters. We are naturally very
strong advocates of Postum Food Co-
ffee." Little E. Matthews, 466 24th St.,
Detroit, Mich.



The Democrat's Goss Standard, Web Perfecting Press,
The Press Upon Which Today's Paper is Printed.

press will print, cut, count and fold
10,000 eight-page, or 10,000 four-
page papers, per hour. The press
weighs upwards of twelve tons and
is operated by two men. It has been
erected in a specially built press room,
upon the ground floor in rear of the
composing room.

Each of the Linotype machines,
with expert operators, will prepare
as much type for the press as could
be set by five compositors and the
old system of case, stick and run.

The machinery and operation of
both the press and Linotype machines
are too intricate to be described in
detail in a newspaper article. All of
our readers and patrons who desire
to see the machines in operation are
cordially invited to call at the office.

The publishers of the Democrat
want to say just a word in com-
ment upon the costly improvements
that have been made in the Dem-
ocrat's equipment:
Two years ago, when the pres-

agents of the franchise interests, or by
any enemy of the city's welfare.

The Democrat is going to continue to
be the popular paper of Akron. It
will be broadly Democratic; never
partisan.

Above all, it will be independent in
its opinions and policies. For as the
present editor of the Akron Beacon
once said while editor of the Sunday
World:

"A newspaper, to properly fill its
field and serve the people in its real
capacity, cannot be a personal organ,
the tool of either one man or a few
men. It must be able to give the
news unrestricted by selfish, personal
interests, and to express opinions
unbiased by the personal views of a
man who owns or controls the paper.
The policy of a paper must be made to
conform to the best interests of the
community and its people, of course,
but it must not pass under the yoke
of men who will use it as their tastes,
their likes and dislikes, or their
whims may for the moment dictate.
When a paper becomes subject to
such influence it loses its usefulness.

THE FOOD FAIR

Exhibitors Are Coming In—A Great
Event.

Considerable interest is already be-
ing shown in the Pure Food fair,
which is to be held at Assembly
hall, from Jan. 10 to 20. All the
spaces are taken, and the public may
look for a very extensive display of
food products.

Mr. Leo Shire, of the Wahl Bouil-
lon Stock Co., Chicago, arrived this
morning to make preparations for their
exhibit. Mr. David A. Wagner,
the "Baking Powder Man," will ar-
rive tonight. Each day will bring
new exhibitors.

Manager Tonjes has secured some
very attractive amusement novelties,
among which is the vitascope, or
Moving Pictures, giving full life-size
views of the great "Dewey Parade"
in New York and the "Carnival of
Paris," and other famous French
views, etc., will be given in plenty.

The Union Charity Association will
be given 20 per cent of the gross re-
ceipts of the Food Fair. Tickets can
now be secured from almost all the
merchants of the city. Admission
will be only 15 cents, and everything
free; all you want to eat and drink
and all the amusements.

WHAT IT COST.

Poor Director Kendall's Monthly Statement.

Expended \$373.15 During the Month
of December.

During the month of December
Poor Director Kendall expended
\$373.15 in caring for the needy of
the city. It was divided as follows:
Groceries, \$90.00; coal, \$88.50; shoes,
\$40.50; transportation, \$18.15; medi-
cine, \$102.80; burials, \$24.50; digging
graves, \$8; clothing, \$25.50.

Many demands have been made
during the cold snap for coal and
clothing. Several citizens have al-
ready made donations and more are
needed. Some difficulty has been
experienced in obtaining coal from
some of the dealers in the city, but
most of them have a large supply on
hand.

Frank J. Vondran and John M. Dor-
an, of this city, became members of
the Knights of Columbus in Cleve-
land, Monday.

DISCOVERED

A Ghastly Murder of an Alabama Woman.

Birmingham, Ala., Jan. 2.—(Spl.)—The
mutilated remains of Mrs. Jennie Jones
was found in a ditch near Rosserman.
The arms and legs had been hewn
from the trunk with an ax. A portion
of the body had been partially burned
and it was with difficulty that the iden-
tification of the dead woman was es-
tablished. After she had been murder-
ed and cut to pieces, the remains were
evidently thrown into a fire of brush,
which, however, failed to consume
them.

Life Sentence.

Bellefontaine, O., Jan. 2.—(Spl.)—
Judge Dow this morning sentenced
Ernest Austin, found guilty of murder
in first degree, having murdered his
mother and brother, to life imprison-
ment in the Ohio penitentiary. The
prisoner received the sentence without
displaying the least emotion.

Blizzard In Pennsylvania.

Corry, Pa., Jan. 2.—(Spl.)—The bliz-
zard which has been raging in the
North-western part of Pennsylvania
has increased its fury. A bitter snow
is falling, and the country roads are
impassable.

HELD UP,

But the Milk Dealer Was Armed and Escaped Robbery.

A hold-up that took place at 5
o'clock last Thursday morning, has
just been reported to the police.

Benjamin Dietz, a milk peddler, of
315 Sherman st., had started to go to
Louis Young's for a supply of milk.
In turning a corner, near the inter-
section of South st., and the new
thoroughfare, which runs through the
White City, a man stepped into the
middle of the road, and caught Mr.
Dietz's horse by the bridle. The
milkmán drew his revolver and or-
dered the man to relinquish his hold
on the reins. At the same time the
horse plunged and threw the fellow
down. Mr. Dietz then whipped up
his horse and got away. Looking
backward, he saw two other men
join the first.

Dr. and Mrs. J. L. Shirey, of 283
W. Market st., entertained Mr. and
Mrs. Harry Hicks, of the Missouri
Girl company, over Sunday and New
Years.